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## Plans of New Board of Charities

Letter From Governor Stanley Which Gives the New Board Some Excellent Suggestions.

### SOME NEW APPOINTMENTS.

The new board of charities has organized, received a letter from Governor Stanley, made some appointments and adjourned. The first meeting was held last week, and the following letter, which the board says will be carried out to its last punctuation mark, was read by Mr. Kanavel:

Gentlemen—The new administration will bring a change both in the political complexion and management of your board. I have selected the new members of the board because of my confidence in their character and efficiency.

The law provides that the subordinate positions in the charitable institutions of the State shall be filled by parties of your selection. I propose to leave the responsibility of these selections where the law places it, but if agreeable to you, would be glad at any time to consider with you both as to your appointees and the management of the several institutions under your charge.

If changes are made in the employees of these institutions, I desire to make the following suggestions:

First—that in making your appointments, honesty and efficiency in the applicants will be the first consideration.

Second—That all other things being equal, you give preference to the surviving soldiers and sailors of the civil war.

Third—That you conduct the several institutions under your charge with the strictest economy consistent with efficiency.

Fourth—That a prompt discharge follow every instance of dishonesty, immorality or drunkenness upon the part of your employees.

With these suggestions I leave to you entirely the management of the charitable institutions of the State, hoping for you the greatest success in their administration, and trusting that your management may meet with the hearty approval of the people. Respectfully,

W. E. STANLEY,  
Governor.

The board made the following appointments:

Dr. T. C. Biddle, of Emporia, to be superintendent of the Topeka insane asylum.

Dr. Ernst Minnie, of Maple Hill, to be physician of the Topeka insane asylum. He is a son of Dr. J. E. Minnie.

Dr. L. L. Uhls, of Paola, to be superintendent of the Osawatimie insane asylum.

Dr. L. C. Monroe, of Garnett, to be assistant physician of the Osawatimie asylum.

T. J. Hayes, of Kansas City, Kan., to be steward of the Osawatimie asylum.

Dr. C. S. Newton, of Altamont, Labette county, to be superintendent of the Winfield imbecile asylum.

W. H. H. Young, of Oskaloosa, to be superintendent of the Atchison soldiers' orphans' home.

### An Example for Legislators.

One of the most vigilant and attentive members of the house in the present legislature is Hon. P. B. Dawes, of Leavenworth County. He is nearly always in his seat during the sessions of the house, and, what is also important, gives his attention to the business which is being transacted. His experience in public affairs gives him a clear insight and fund of knowledge which are valuable to the State as a legislator, and in the rush and whirl of the almost innumerable measures before the house the judgment of cool and clear headed men is especially

valuable. Whenever the house seems to be drifting into a tangle or confusion of subjects some suggestion or motion made by Mr. Dawes straightens the matter out and sets the legislative mill smoothly grinding again.

### THE LEGISLATURE.

#### SENATE.

##### Monday.

Senator Young introduced a bill for designating official county papers. It fixes the price for official printing for counties at 40 cents per square for the first publication and 20 cents per square for subsequent insertions. The bill provides that the official paper shall be the one representing the party which cast the largest vote at the preceding election. Senator Young also introduced a bill to authorize cities of the second class to build and maintain ice plants and public refrigerators.

Senator Lupter introduced a bill for establishing a school furniture factory at the State penitentiary. Senator Forney introduced a bill fixing the fee of representatives of the Kansas insurance department for examining non-resident companies at their home office at \$10 a day. It provides that the expenses of the trips made for examination shall be shared proportionately by all companies examined. The present rate is \$25 a day and expenses.

A bill was introduced by Senator Anderson requiring a brand on all goods and merchandise or other articles made by convict labor in the penitentiary or in any of the reform schools or other State penal or reformatory institutions. Senator Reiser introduced a bill to prohibit combinations in restraint of trade. A bill was introduced by Senator Hanna against nepotism, declaring it malfeasance in office. Senator Shaffer introduced a bill creating a city court for Ft. Scott. The Hanna bill reducing express charges was passed under emergency. It makes the following scale of prices on express packages: parcels under 5 pounds, 15 cents; 5 to 10 pounds, 20 cents; 10 to 20 pounds, 25 cents; 20 to 50 pounds, 30 cents; 50 to 75 pounds, 35 cents; 75 to 100 pounds, 40 cents.

Senator Field presented an income tax bill fixing the following rate of taxation upon incomes: One thousand to \$5,000, 1 1/2 per cent; \$5,000 to \$10,000, 1 per cent; \$10,000 to \$20,000, 1 1/2 per cent; \$20,000 to \$30,000, 2 per cent; \$30,000 to \$40,000, 2 1/2 per cent, and for each additional \$10,000, 1 1/2 per cent.

The committee on banks and banking recommended the Breidenthal banking bill for passage.

The senate adopted the following resolution relative to adjournment:

Resolved, By the Senate, the House concurring therein, that from and after the adoption of this resolution, the Senate shall give preference to bills that have passed the House and have been messaged to the Senate; and the House shall give preference to the bills that have passed the Senate and have been messaged to the House; and in case of disagreement between the two houses upon any measure, on application, a conference committee shall be appointed by each of the two houses in such manner as they deem proper to adjust such differences, subject to the ratification of the respective houses.

That after 5 o'clock p. m., March 1, 1899, no business shall be transacted by either house of the legislature except the consideration of appropriation bills and receiving messages from the Governor, from the State officers, or messages between the two houses, and that the legislature adjourn at 12 o'clock noon, March 4, 1899.

##### Tuesday.

Senator Farrelly's bill providing for a levy upon and sale of corporate stock by judicial process was passed by a vote of 23 to 0.

The act creating a board of control for the management and control of the State penitentiary, the industrial school and the reform school, abolishing the board of pardons and providing for the classifying of convicts in the State penitentiary on the indeterminate sentence plan, was passed after a number of amendments. Senator Armstrong moved to strike out all parts of the bill referring to the State reform school, which was done. The title of the board was changed to "Board of Directors," and provision was made for approval by the governor of all pardons and paroles. On motion of Senator Hessin the bill was amended so that paroled prisoners should not be permitted to go beyond the limits of the State. The bill was passed by a vote of 23 to 0.

The senate confirmed the appointment of S. M. Fox, of Manhattan, as adjutant general to succeed Hiram Allen, and F. Charlesworth, of Beloit, as assistant adjutant general to succeed H. N. Boyd. A message was received from the gov-

ernor appointing James Dutro, of Woodson County, as a member of the board of managers of the State soldiers' home for the term ending July 3, 1902, and George Burton, of Cherokee County, to fill the unexpired term tending July 3, 1901. The appointments were confirmed.

Adjournment was taken over Washington's birthday until Thursday morning.

##### Thursday.

Senator Anderson introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, Lieut.-Com. C. P. Rees, United States navy, executive officer of the flagship Olympia at the battle of Manila Bay, on May 1, 1898, is in this city as the guest of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring therein, That the courtesies of the legislature be extended to Lieutenant-Commander Rees, and that he be invited to occupy the seat of honor in the Senate and House of Representatives.

The Falloon-Stuart contest case came up as a special order and was postponed until March 3d.

The bill regulating live stock commission firms came up and was amended by inserting the following phrases after the provision regarding second violation of the act by any firm, "and the court shall, in addition to revoking the charter of such stock yards company, appoint a receiver to wind up the affairs of said company." The bill passed by a vote of 23 to 0.

Senators voting for the bill were Armstrong, Andrews, Anderson, Braddock, Caldwell, Campbell, Coleman, Cooke, Crossan, Farrelly, Field, Forney, Hanna, Helm, Helmick, Householder, King, Lamb, Lewelling, Lupter, Morrell, Ryan, Shaffer, Sheldon, Titus, and Young.

Senators Hessin, Johnson, Matthews, Stocks, Ward and Zimmer voted against the bill.

The senate passed the following appropriation bill: Six thousand dollars for the erection of a new building at the Winfield asylum; \$25,000 for each fiscal year for maintenance and repairs and salaries at the Winfield asylum; \$70,000 for a new cell block at the Hutchinson reformatory, and \$35,000 for maintenance and salaries; \$25,000 for a new building at the State Agricultural College; \$3,000 for a sewer and \$100,000 for expenses; \$10,000 for building a road to the soldiers' orphans' home from Atchison; \$7,000 for the Mother Bickerdike home at Ellsworth; \$12,000 for each fiscal year for expenses of the institution for the blind.

Senator Shaffer voted against the Agricultural College bill.

##### Friday.

Lieutenant C. P. Rees, Dewey's, executive officer at the battle of Manila, was received in the senate chamber in the afternoon, in accordance with the resolution previously adopted. The senate took a recess and Lieutenant Rees made a short address.

The bill appropriating \$150,000 to be paid to the Kansas volunteers was passed by the following vote, drawn on party lines, with the exception of Senator Coleman:

Senators who voted in favor of the passage of the bill were: Senators Armstrong, Braddock, Caldwell, Coleman, Cooke, Crossan, Farrelly, Field, Forney, Helm, Householder, Jumper, King, Lupter, Pritchard, Reiser, Ryan, Sheldon, Stone, Titus, Young, Zimmer.

Senators who voted against the bill were: Senators Andrews, Anderson, Battey, Campbell, Fulton, Helmick, Hessin, Johnson, Lamb, Matthews, Morrow, Stocks, Ward.

The following were absent or not voting: Senators Benson, Hanna, Hart, Lewelling.

The senate passed 34 local bills. The senate passed Senator Anderson's bill for the completion of the State house. It provides for a levy of one-fourth of one mill in 1899 and 1900.

##### Saturday.

The senate defeated the bill prepared by the committee on railroads prohibiting railroad companies from charging more than 2 1/2 cents a mile for passenger fare, and preventing the issuance of passes. The following senators voted in favor of the bill: Armstrong, Anderson, Battey, Braddock, Caldwell, Campbell, Cooke, Field, Forney, Hart, Helmick, Householder, Jumper, King, Lupter, Pritchard, Reiser, Ryan, Sheldon, Titus, Young.

The following senators voted against the bill: Coleman, Farrelly, Fulton, Hanna, Helm, Johnson, Matthews, Morrow, Shaffer, Stocks, Stone, Ward, Zimmer.

Senators Benson, Crossan, Hessin, Lamb and Lewelling were absent or not voting. In committee of the whole the house bill granting three years' certificates and life certificates to graduates of colleges and high schools of the State maintaining the

required course of study was recommended for passage.

The house bill removing political disabilities of persons who have voluntarily borne arms against the government was passed by the senate.

At the evening session twenty-three bills were passed.

#### HOUSE.

##### Monday.

The senate bill to prevent stock watering, limiting the amount of mortgages on bonds which can be issued by any corporation to the actual value of the corporation's property, was rejected in the house by a strict party vote of 32 to 25, except that Representatives Rolney and Spurlock voted in favor of it.

In committee of the whole at the evening session 24 local bills were recommended for passage.

The oil inspection bill was advanced to third reading by a vote of 76 to 29.

##### Tuesday.

In committee of the whole the house recommended for passage the bill to appropriate \$50,000 for a Kansas exhibit at the Paris Exposition.

The joint resolution providing for submission to the people of an amendment to the constitution for the increase of the number of justices of the supreme court from three to seven was passed.

At the evening session the house went into committee of the whole and took a recess until Wednesday morning with the understanding that the records should show an adjournment for Tuesday inasmuch as Wednesday was a legal holiday.

In committee of the whole the house recommended for passage the bill to extend the terms of the appellate court four months, or until the second Monday in April, 1901.

##### Wednesday.

McKee's bill authorizing another revision of the statutes was recommended for passage. It makes the following provisions:

Said statutes shall be based on the general statutes of 1889, with the addition of all laws of a general nature passed since said publication was made, and including those of the session of 1899. They shall have reference to the decisions of the Supreme Court and Appellate Courts. To be bound in full sheep binding, and of the same general style and quality as the compiled laws of 1885, by C. F. W. Dassel, and to be sold at a price not to exceed five dollars for a complete volume to Kansas practicing attorneys; provided, that the State of Kansas shall have the right to purchase at any time any number of said statutes, not less than 100 copies at each purchase, at the price of three dollars per copy.

Among the other bills recommended for passage at the Wednesday session in committee of the whole were the following insurance bills: By Henley—To provide for the organization and control of mutual fire insurance companies. By Hogue—To prohibit the discounting of claims for cash settlements by insurance companies doing a fire, lightning or tornado business. By Benefield—To provide for uniform policy of fire insurance. By Lawrence—To amend the law for organization and regulation of fraternal beneficial societies. Wheatley's bill to make mine inspectors of weights and measures at coal mines; the bill of the committee on State affairs repealing the law creating the board of pardons.

##### Thursday.

The barbers' bill came up for third reading, but was referred back to committee of the whole. The fee and salary bill was passed by a vote of 33 to 25. It makes changes in the salary of county officials in Kansas from which requests have come for readjustment.

Forty local bills were passed on one roll call, as were the following general bills: Wiley's bill to provide for the assessment of cattle brought into Kansas for grazing purposes; Seaton's bill to appropriate \$1,000 for the G. A. R. museum and to pay for the publication of the G. A. R. department commander's report, and Wilcox's bill appropriating \$70,000 for the current expenses of the soldiers' orphans' home.

The bill appropriating \$50,000 for the Kansas exhibit at the Paris Exposition was defeated by a vote of 50 to 69.

##### Friday.

Lieutenant C. P. Rees was a guest of the house and given a seat of honor beside Speaker Osborn. He was introduced to the house by the speaker as "the man who stood on the bridge of the flagship Olympia, by the side of that greatest of American heroes, Admiral Dewey, during the memorial engagement in Manila bay."

Lieutenant Rees said, in response to the cheers of the house:

"It is not of my own choosing that I appear before you in this manner. I do not

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